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In re application of: Hisaji MATSUI et al.

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For: AMORPHOUS NANO-SCALE CARBON TUBE AND PRODUCTION
METHOD THEREFOR

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 25, 2001

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel claims 20 to 26, presented by amendment of October 17, 2000 to the International Bureau.

Please amend claims 1, 3-8, 13 and 27 as follows:

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1. (Amended) Nano-scale carbon tubes each containing a main framework which comprises carbon, and each having a diameter of 0.1 to 1000 nm and an amorphous structure, and each having